

PETITION FOR VARIANCES

2nd Election District

Southeast corner of Burnbrook Lane and Longhill Road (3205 Burnbrook Lane)

DATE AND TIME: Monday, November 5, 1984 at 10:00 a.m.

Room 106, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake PUBLIC HEARING: Avenue, Towson, Maryland

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public hearing:

Petition for Variances to permit a side yard setback of 5 feet in lieu of the required 8 feet for a room addition and to permit a pool outside the third of the lot farthest removed from both streets.

Being the property of <u>Donald C. Robinson</u>, et ux the plat filed with the Zoning Office.

In the event that this Petition is granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commissioner will, however, entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permit during this period for good cause shown. Such request must be received in writing by the date of the hearing set above or made at the hearing.

> BY ORDER OF ARNOLD JABLON ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

IN RE: PETITION ZONING VARIANCES SE/corner of Burnbrook Lane and Longhill Road (3205 Burn- #

brook Lane) - 2nd Election OF BALTIMORE COUNTY District

Case No. 85-114-A Donald C. Robinson, et ux, Petitioners *

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BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioners herein request variates to permit a side yard setback of five feet instead of the required eight feet in order to construct an enclosed porch and an accessory structure (swimming pool) to be located outside the third of the lot farthest removed from any street, as more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

The Petitioner, Donald C. Robinson, appeared and testified. There were no Protestants.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, zoned D.R.5.5, is located on the corner of Burnbrook Road and Longhill Road and is improved with a 28' x 40' dwelling which faces Burnbrook Road. A patio exists to the side and rear of the house upon which the Petitioners propose to construct an unheated enclosed porch. In addition, they propose to construct a 520 square foot in-ground swimming pool in the rear yard. However, the pool cannot satisfy the Baltimore ounty Zoning Regulations (BCZR) in that an accessory structure must be located in the third of the lot farthest removed from any street and shall occupy not more than 50% of such third when the property is a corner lot. Due to the existence of a ten-foot storm drain easement along the southeastern property line and the size of the proposed pool, it cannot be located within the third of lot farthest removed from the streets.

The Petitioners seek relief from Section 1802.3.B (211.3) for the side yard variance and from Section 400.1 for permission to build the pool outside of the designated area, pursuant to Section 307, BCZR.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulation would cause practical difficulty to the petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the petitioner must meet the following:

- 1. whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and
- 3. whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

It is clear from the testimony that if the variances were granted, such use as proposed would not be contrary to the spirit of the BCZR and would not result in substantial detriment to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that a practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship would result if the start variances were not granted. It has been established that the requirement The Petitioners seek relief from here would unduly restrict the use of the land #due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition the variances requested will not be detrimental to the public health, safe वि, and general welfare.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing his Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variances requested

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Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this ____ day of November, 1984, that the Petition for Zoning Variances to permit a side yard setback of five feet instead of the required eight feet and an accessory structure (swimming pool) to be located outside the third of the lot farthest removed from any street be and is hereby GRANTED, from and after the date of this Order, subject to the following:

> 1. The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the applicable appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

cc: Mr. & Mrs. Donald C. Robinson People's Counsel

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO Zoning Commissionet

Norman E. Gerber, Director FROM Office of Planning and Zoning

Zoning Petition Nos. 85-105-A, 85-106-SpH, 85-107-A, 85-108-I, 85-109-A, SUBJECT 85-114-A, 85-115-A, 85-118-A, 85-119-A, 85-120-A, and 85-121-A

There are no comprehensive planning factors requiring comment on these petitions.

Norman E. Gerber, Director
Office of Planning and Zoning

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